Attorney Docket No. 2662-155 First Named Thomas A. HILLERICH, Jr. Inventor **DECLARATION AND POWER OF** ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN COMPLETE IF KNOWN PATENT APPLICATION Application Number (37 CFR 1.63) 10/649.337 Filing Date August 27, 2003 XDeclaration Declaration Submitted Submitted Group Art Unit 3652 with Initial after Initial Filing Filing **Examiner Name** To be assigned

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **Automated Induction Systems And Methods For Mail And/Or Other Objects** the specification of which was filed on August 27, 2003 as United States Application Number 10/649,337.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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